

News

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE



WinePressPublishing
Great Books, Defined.

Contact:

Josiah Williams

Phone: 360.802.9758

Email: josiah@winepresspublishing.com

Author Reaches into the Past to Inspire Christian Women of Today

Enumclaw, WA—She was born nearly 600 years ago in Domremy, France, a peasant girl, who commanded the armies against the advancing British at only 17 years old. Today, she is still considered a national heroine.

Joan of Arc is one of four historical women featured in Dr. Maureen C. Modesitt's new book, *Come My Beloved: Women and their Visions of God* (WinePress, 2011). Exploring the link between women, God, and culture, Dr. Modesitt traces their individual spiritual journeys and the impact made on subsequent generations:

- The paradox of Teresa of Avila
- The intrepidity and prophetic life of Joan of Arc
- The dramatic nature of Margery Kempe and her life as a tragicomedy
- The paradigmatic visionary status of Mary Magdalene and her apostolic role

Living in a world that largely marginalized women, each one defied expectation and served as a living testimony to the words found in Matthew 12:18: "Behold my servant whom I chose, my beloved, in whom my soul takes pleasure."

"The central theme of my book is how these visionaries inspired others to comprehend the goodness of God so that they can connect with His greatness. Each woman suffered from cultural persecution as a result of their obedience to God; any woman who strives to fulfill a visionary path that the Lord has mandated will always meet with cultural persecution because our world is corrupt and hostile to the Christian heart and mindset."

Dr. Maureen Modesitt teaches English at Ohio Valley University and West Virginia University at Parkersburg. She attends the Vienna Church of God and serves on the President's staff council at West Virginia University. Maureen and Curtis Modesitt have been married for 39 years and have three adult children; they are the proud grandparents of five granddaughters and one grandson. The Modesitts live in West Virginia.

For more information, to request a review copy, or to schedule an interview, please contact Josiah Williams by phone at 360-802-9758, by email at josiah@winepresspublishing.com, or by fax at 360-802-9992. To purchase a copy of this book visit www.winepressbooks.com or call 877-421-7323.

###

Quality images to accompany this press release are available in digital format. Available images are: cover art, author photo, WinePress Publishing logo.